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### Rusk and the CIA

In reply to Samuel J. Miller's letter published Sept. 7, which you titled "Rusk Should Be Dismissed," the writer seems to infer that the whole affair happened while Mr. Rusk was Secretary of State.

The facts according to all accounts which I have been able to find are:

- The attempt to bribe a Singapore security officer happened in 1960 during the closing months of the Eisenhower Administration, and the offer was made by a Central Intelligence Agency man.
- The denial of "all aspects" of the story was made by Press Officer Robert McCloskey, not by Rusk himself.
- The note Secretary Rusk had written to Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew apologizing for the affair was apparently soon after he first learned of it and was dated April 15, 1961.

It seems to me that the moral of the whole affair is that our Central Intelligence Agency should be subject to a committee of Congress or other responsible body, and no longer allowed to plot and seemingly make policy for our nation. It has gotten us into trouble too many times, notably with its misinformation leading up to the Bay of Pigs failure and the U-2 affair.

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